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Column One
By
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No Communist Reply to U.N. Offer

THE Kaesong talks are in a bad way; and let no one doubt for a moment that their final breaking down will put the world in a bad way. In certain official quarters the hope has been expressed that "the lull in the fighting"—one reads of "limited offensives"—and heavy bombing sorties might be continued by tacit agreement; but the same official quarters say that the Chinese and North Koreans have deliberately manufactured the incident with the object of setting forth upon an offensive for which they have been steadily preparing.

THE incident may, indeed, be a "frame-up." General Ridgway has not the slightest doubt of it and has lectured the opposing negotiators in terms of an angry judge pronouncing sentence after the jury has returned an unanimous verdict of guilt. There is certainly no occasion for the observer at this distance, and knowing very little, to take issue with Colonel Kinney and Murry over their judgment, or with General Ridgway of his. Perhaps, also, there is no occasion for him to regret the tone and terms of General Ridgway's communication to the Communists, who may indeed, want the negotiations to stop and the war to be resumed.

In that case, there has been some bad intelligence work and much faulty deduction in high places since Mr. Malik first proposed a Korean ceasefire. For that event was shown as an indication of catastrophic Communist losses in Korea and of serious disquiet in Moscow over deviations and the like—alternatively, of a Soviet decision to transfer the blood-letting from Korea to some other twitching limb of the global body.

ACCEPTING General Ridgway's summing-up as just and deserved, there are three persons who will be unable to resist the temptation to turn to the U.S. administration and say: "I told you so." The three persons are General MacArthur, Generals Aizimo Chiang Kai-Shek and Dr. Syngman Rhee. If the policy represented by the American decision to negotiate with the Communists at Kaesong has encouraged treachery and deceit, to that extent it can be shown as having weakened the Allied military position relative to the enemy's. There may now be an alternative other than the one recommended by the MacArthur-Rhee-Chiang school; but it will be difficult to convince the American public of the usefulness of it. The Chinese, the North Koreans and the Russians, too, may, of course, disprove the theories by taking General Ridgway's slip with humility and fortitude. That would show them to be in far more populous a state than anyone except General MacArthur had guessed, who would then have further evidence to support his argument that the war can be carried into Manchuria and up to the Russian border with impunity.

AT some point the problem may, and perhaps should, go back to U.N. But with San Francisco only a week or two away (and become the keystone of U.S. Asian policy), it would be foolish to expect that body to act decisively. The League of Nations, lacking America, was unable to stop a trend before which the United Nations, dominated by America, is no less powerless. The only hope would seem to be that "neut" agreement to keep down the fighting in Korea until the outcome of San Francisco provides a new standard for our calculations on war or peace in Asia.

Tel Aviv, August 27.

Cairo Warns: Pact Off If No Constructive British Offer

CAIRO, Sunday (Reuter).—Nahas Pasha, Prime Minister of Egypt, told Britain today that unless she made a "new and constructive move" before the end of the Egyptian Parliament's present session, the Anglo-Egyptian treaty revision talks would be broken off.

Demonstrators Denounce Treaty

CAIRO, Sunday (UP).—Rioting demonstrators broke through cordons around the British and U.S. Embassies today, and injured ten police men besides seizing British and U.S. flags, and shouting "Down with England! Down with the treaty!"

Policemen dispersed the rioters by firing above their heads, but considerable tension prevailed throughout the city today—the 15th Anniversary of the signing of the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty.

Both the Government Wafid party and opposition parties held anti-Treaty demonstrations throughout the day.

The Cabinet meanwhile met today to discuss the procedure for abrogating the Treaty, but no details of the discussion were released.

In Port Said, the authorities today announced a ban on shore leave for all troopership passing through the Suez Canal, but added that the ban was not in force yet.

Arab States Due To Seize Jewish Funds

All Jewish funds in the seven Arab League member states are shortly to be frozen, ANA reports from Damascus. Consultations on this matter have been in progress for the last few weeks and a decision will be adopted by the Arab League's political committee session, to open in Alexandria today. This new step was explained as being taken to protect the rights of Palestine Arab refugees, and to compensate them for funds abandoned in Israel.

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Majlis Uproar On Breakdown

TEHERAN, Sunday (Reuter).—A meeting of the Persian Majlis ended in uproar today after opposition deputies for ending the oil talks with Britain. Opposition leader Imam Khomeini had been given a vote of confidence last Wednesday which approved his conduct up to that point and authorized him to continue the suspended armistice negotiations made 28 hours ago.

Peking radio said tonight that resuming the talks was "inconceivable" until the U.S. side presents its "contemptible and savage attitude." The broadcast was the strongest attack made on the Allies since the armistice talks opened near seven weeks ago.

Naser Sadri, opposition deputy from the Azerbaijan province, then took up the attack but had only completed a few sentences in the same vein when Mezadeq supporters began to shout him down.

The speaker called for order, but government supporters continued the uproar. Many of them walked out, and the chamber, deprived of a quorum, was forced to adjourn.

Grady seeks Compromise

Meanwhile, as the last 25 British oil technicians were evacuated from the oilfields in southern Persia, Dr. Henry Grady, U.S. Ambassador in Teheran, was expected to resume the role of "informal mediator," which he relinquished with the arrival of Mr. Avrell Harriman, in June.

Observers believe, however, that while Dr. Grady's efforts are appreciated at the British Embassy, they are not sufficient to indicate that there can be no positive solution of the question while Dr. Mezadeq remains in power. But Dr. Grady's Parliamentary party, they contend, that the Premier's position is as strong, if not stronger, than ever.

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U.S. Doubtful Of British Oil Line

By George Lichtheim
POST Correspondent

LONDON. Sunday. — The Egyptians seem to have been encouraged by Anglo-American disagreements over Persia. It was hoped here that the Stoker mission would finally convert the Americans to the view that appeasement of Persia, and by implication of Egyptian nationalism, is not feasible.

Washington also seems to fear that Britain's new policy of "letting the Persians stew in their own oil" will cause more trouble than it is worth. Accordingly there are rumours of a new American scheme under which Abadan would be managed by a "neutral" directorate, including a general manager who would not be a Briton, but who might be an American, if both the Persians and British agree.

U.S. Pressure

It seems unlikely that even the Labour Government could accept this solution, which would provoke an outbreak of popular wrath and might turn the scales at the next election. There is every likelihood, however, of strong American pressure to block British action to protect the Abadan refinery should the Persians try to seize control.

One important factor in the U.S. attitude is undoubtedly the conviction that Abadan is much less important to the West than the Persians have been allowed to imagine. It is now estimated that any losses from this source can be replaced in a few months.

What really worries Washington is the danger of increased Soviet influence in Persia and the need to keep the Mossadegh Government going, while Whitehall would like it to disappear. It is calculated here that a few months of Western economic blockade will force Teheran to climax down and discredit the Nationalists but that is just what Washington is determined to replace.

He told Sir Ralph Stenhouse, British Ambassador, in the absence of such a British move to meet Egypt's national demands Egypt would formally announce termination of the talks "with attending abrogation."

The reply was delivered through the Egyptian Ambassador in London and a copy was handed to Sir Ralph today.

In London, diplomatic circles revealed today that Mr. Morrison had informed Egypt in several private notes, that England was at work on new proposals concerning the revision of the treaty.

During the last week Turkey unsuccessfully sought to mediate in the dispute, but today the chief Turkish delegate Mr. Selim Sarper, said he received no information that Turkish efforts produced results. He added that Turkey is not requesting another delay and is prepared to vote in support of the resolution.

The resolution is assured of approval. Only a Soviet veto could defeat it, but it is understood that the Soviet delegate, Mr. Semion Tsarapkin, is planning to abstain.

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Foreign Minister Salah El-Din is preparing a list of alleged violations which, he said, include Britain's alleged refusal to hand over to Egypt the small ports of Adazia and Atak in the Red Sea.

Complaint is also made at the retention of Fanara Abu Sultan, Kasfet and Fayid (where the Middle East land forces HQ is situated), which were leased to Britain during the last war.

Objection is also made to the alleged establishment of many airfields on Egyptian territory without prior consent and to maintenance of more forces than the treaty allows.

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Six Soldiers Killed In Road Accident

HADERA, Sunday.—Six Air Force soldiers, one of them a girl, were killed, and five were seriously injured in a road crash near here today. They were sitting on benches along the sides of a military lorry, travelling southwards along the main Haifa-Tel Aviv road, when their vehicle collided with a civilian lorry loaded with gravel and travelling in the opposite direction.

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JOINT COMMITTEE OF MAPAI-MAPAM

The date for continuation of the Mapai-Mapam coalition talks by a joint commission of delegates of both parties will be set today. This was decided yesterday at a short meeting of the Prime Minister with Mr. I. Barnea and Mr. L. Galil.

A longer session with Mr. Ben Gurion had been scheduled for yesterday, but it was put off after Mapam had expressed the wish to discuss in general committee questions of internal politics, economics, and immigrant absorption, and, more specifically, the problems of secularism in the state, tax and wage policy, and the approach to settlement.

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Blind Curve

The scene of the crash was a "blind" curve near the Caesarea road. The off-side wall of the military lorry was completely smashed, and all the passengers seated on that side were killed. Those on the near-side bench were seriously injured. The driver was also injured.

The injured were given first aid by the Hadera Magen David Adom, and were then taken to a military hospital.

It is believed that the civilian lorry could not have moved at great speed because of its heavy load. The Army vehicle, however, had apparently been speeding.

This morning another serious accident occurred near Givat when an Army tender collided with a private car driven by Ben Zion Meier, 66, of Afule. Three persons, the civilian driver and two soldiers, were badly injured. They were all taken to the Afule hospital.

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Sharett Asks U.N. to Reopen Case on Syrian Huleh Attack

Israel Note to Council Syrians Give Proof Of Soldiers at Huleh

Excerpts from the cable sent on Saturday to Your Excellency by the Minister for Foreign Affairs to the President of the U.N. Security Council.

1. In my telegram to Your Excellency of May 19, 1951, which you indicated the Syrian Government of a flagrant violation of the Armistice Agreement by armed aggression against Israel, I requested that the Security Council call an emergency session to consider the matter.

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Order Number 1,020, printed on May 21, 1951, lists the names of the wounded in the zone of military operations.

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Social & Personal

President Weissman sent greetings on the occasion of the inauguration of the new King David Hotel, whose name is Robert yesterday. The Chief Rabbi and the Minister of Welfare, Rabbi M. Levin, participated in a dedication ceremony in the building which, with 50 bedrooms, class rooms and meeting hall, will accommodate 200 students.

Mr. Montefiore H. Davis, U.S. Ambassador to Israel, and Mrs. Davis, left Israel by air on Friday for a ten-day holiday in Cyprus.

61 students of the Hebrew University and the Haifa Institute of Technology returned by air from Paris, France and England under the students' exchange scheme.

A reception for members of the World Economic Council was held by the Israel Chamber of Commerce at the King David Hotel, Jerusalem, at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Other Congress delegates are also invited.

Lilo Alexander, the singer from U.S.A. received a hearty welcome as a concert for soldiers in a military camp somewhere in Israel.

A recital in aid of air training funds was given last night at the Y.M.C.A. Hall, Jerusalem, at 8 o'clock this evening by Emma Shaver, accompanied at the piano by Frank Peleg.

BIRTHS
AMSEL — To Ruth (nee Schein), wife of Soren Dov Amiel, Wednesday, August 22, 1951, at the Askenazi Hospital, Tel Aviv — a son, son.

HAUSNER — To Haim (nee Lazar), wife of Mr. Martin Hausner, on August 24 at the Hadassah Maternity Hospital, Tel Aviv — a daughter.

TOMBSTONE
On the occasion of the first anniversary of her death, a tombstone was unveiled over the grave of Dorothy Kahn Bar-Adon at the Machavia cemetery in the Emek yesterday.

Hemda Ben Yehuda
Laid to Rest

Mrs. Hemda Ben Yehuda, who died in Jerusalem early Saturday morning at the age of 80, was laid to rest at the Sanhedria Cemetery yesterday afternoon.

The cortège, in which were many friends of the late Ben Yehuda and her husband, Eliezer Ben Yehuda, the pioneer of modern Hebrew, left her home at 4:30 p.m. It passed King George Street, where it had been the office of the Keesset, in Rehavia Ben Yehuda, which is named after her husband, and then halted in Abyanian Street in front of the house where she had lived. Her husband had made their first home in Jerusalem.

At the cemetery, Mrs. Ben Yehuda was welcomed by Dr. Yosef Sharir, the former Minister of Education, by Dr. S. Yelin, Director of the Department of Antiquities, on behalf of the State, Dr. Efraim Kishon, Prof. N.H. Tur-Sinai, who is continuing the publication of the remaining volumes of the large Ben Yehuda dictionary, Dr. David Ben Gurion, a lifelong friend and one of the co-founders, with the Ben Yehudas, of the Talpiot quarter, and Mr. Asher Levitzky, a friend of the family.

HADASSIM HOSPITAL CORNERSTONE LAYING
TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The cornerstone for a 16-room hospital to be built partly with a \$30,000 donation by Mrs. Rifka Pollack, of Quebec, Canada, was laid at Wizo's Hadassim children's village near Nathanya today.

At the ceremony four other Canadian visitors pledged to furnish a sum each. They are: Mr. and Mrs. Morris of Cornwall, Ontario; Mr. Florence Kert, of Toronto; Mr. Sol Feller, of Ottawa, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Goldbergs, of Saskatchewan. The cornerstone was covered over by Mrs. Sally Gottsch, President of Canadian Wizo.

NEVE ILAN NURSERY
Neve Ilan's new IL.17,000 nursery was inaugurated yesterday afternoon at a festive gathering attended by a large number of guests from Israel and abroad. The nursery is a gift of the Long Island Zionists' Region.

Among those taking part in the ceremony in the Judean Hills were Mr. E.M. Epstein, Director of the J.N.D. Overseas Department; Mr. Daniel Kirschbaum, Head of the Jewish Committee of the Long Island Region; Rabbi Kirschbaum, former President of the Negev; the Reverend John J. Daniel, Chairman of the American Christian Palestine Committee; Mrs. B. Weissman, Head of the Long Island Hadassim Region; Mr. J. S. and Mr. A. G. Levy, of "The Daily." Several notables from Abu Ghosh were also present, including the mukhtar, Muhib Barakat, secretary of Neve Ilan, welcomed the guests.

Jerusalem Cinemas
At 2:30, 7 & 9 p.m.
CINN: That Midnight Kiss.
CINN: The Devil's Disciple.
CINN: Women Without Name (7 & 9 p.m.).
CINN: On an Island With You.
CINN: I Love Trouble.
CINN: Bright Leaf.

Haifa Cinemas
CINN: The Devil's Disciple (7 & 9 p.m.).
CINN: The Last Emperor (7 & 9 p.m.).
OPERAS

Wednesday Night
TEL AVIV: *Midnight Kiss*.
Tuesday, Aug. 28, 8:30 p.m.
Samson & Delilah
Opera in 2 acts (4 scenes)
by Saint-Saëns, with
EDIS DE PHILIPPE
D. Naftora, O. Balash, A. Tsvi, R. David, M. Katalin, C. Zolotnik.

FROM YESTERDAY'S PRESS:
Unified Organizations Would Weaken Zionist Movement

The establishment of unified Zionist organizations along geographical lines would cause the formation of "landesmannschaften" when political movements based on crystallized ideas and ideologies should exist, "Hatzofeh" (Mizrahi) wrote yesterday in an editorial which stated the Orthodox movement's opposition to the plan. The "standardization," "Hatzofeh" asserts, would have an adverse effect on Zionism because it would obliterate the valid and productive ideological and spiritual differences between parties.

Dealing with the problems surrounding the appointment of a new Zionist Executive of "David" (Histadrut), wrote that while all parties demand the strengthening of the Zionist Executive, all of them seem to prefer keeping their top-notch people in reserve for political work in the Government and the Knesset. It called for a reversal of this attitude.

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"Al Hanissim" (Mapam) quoted "A-Sarshir," an Arab daily, as having written that "the next Zionist Congress will be held in some Arab capital, if the Arab states are not more vigilant."

Schmorak Report

Commenting on the verbal

duel which has been going on for some time between the Jewish Agency Executive and Dr. E. Schmorak, Agency Comptroller, "Ha'aretz" (Independent) demanded that Dr. Schmorak's last two reports be published. It wrote that the public is more interested in learning whether something is wrong with the Agency's ad-

ministration than in the legalistic

arguments presented by the Executive to prove the alleged irregularity of the procedure followed by Dr. Schmorak in distributing the report.

"Ha'aretz" proposed, however,

that the Comptroller's tasks and areas of competency should be more clearly defined than they have been hitherto, and that his reports should compel action by the Executive in a manner similar to that followed in the Govern-

ment and

Agreement Reached On Altered Jerusalem Programme

Grounds for agreement on a new Zionist Programme to replace the Basle Programme appeared to have been reached yesterday when a sub-committee of the Congress Fundamental Problems Committee agreed that the formula should express three principles:

- 1) ingathering of exiles;
- 2) consolidation of the State of Israel and
- 3) unity of the Jewish nation.

This decision represents a further concession to the moderates from the United States who had objected to the reference to "the redemption of the Jewish nation." The conception of the "unity of the Jewish nation" was substituted.

The exact meaning of the term "traditional collections" as well as the question of coordination between the Keren Kayemet and the Ministry of Agriculture on afforestation are still under discussion.

It is quite clear that the majority favours the establishment of a unified fund, it is still undecided, however, what the name of the new fund should be.

The anticipated resolution urging the Knesset to grant posthumous citizenship to the million martyrs was yesterday formally adopted by the Political Committee. Pending are resolutions on Soviet emigration, Nazar and the resurgence of Nazism.

Regrets that Zionist leaders have not been released by Soviet Bloc countries are expressed in another resolution now before the committee. It is deemed possible that Mapam may submit a minority resolution on the subject to the restoration of the historical boundaries.

Yesterday morning, one delegate brought up a clause from the constitution of the Zionist Organization which says that the Basle Programme can be amended only by a three-fourths majority at two consecutive Congresses.

Wait 'till 1954

A debate ensued on whether this principle should be followed or a final vote be taken at the current Congress. The majority voted to put up the proposed Resolution for a provisional vote and to make it final at the next Congress.

Meanwhile, the Committee completed the draft of their proposals on the question of armament to be submitted to the two classes adopted on Friday which call for "co-operation and coordination" with the Government and a request for a single representative of the Jewish people, the drafted three other clauses.

These clauses call upon the Government to consult and cooperate with the Z.O.O. in carrying out all activities for Israel by Jewish organizations the world over; for prior consultations between the Government and the Zionist Executive; and with regard to the movement affecting the movement.

The fields of activity designated for the Movement were:

- 1) the organization of immigration and absorption; 2) the granting of exit grants and their property to Israel;

GENERAL ZIONISTS CLOSE RANKS

Agreement has been reached on the issues which broke the ranks of the World Confederation of General Zionists two weeks ago, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Chairman of the Confederation, announced yesterday.

The application has been rejected as the Ministry had issued general instructions to restrict the granting of exit permits, including those not requiring allocations of foreign currency, because of the vast number of such applications and because it was difficult for the Treasury to exercise adequate control on the financial transactions of Israelis abroad.

Mr. D. Y. Michaelis of Tel Aviv, who appeared for the applicant, held that it was illegal for the Ministry to issue instructions of this nature and that their application was arbitrary.

The Court, which was composed of Justice Shemesh, David and Silman, held that there was no sufficient ground for its intervention.



THE WEATHER

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Min. Celsius	-19	-21	-22	-23	-24	-25	-26
Max. Celsius	-20	-22	-23	-24	-25	-26	-27
Total Rainfall	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25
Wind	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW

POST BAG

Relatively quiet.

A telegram arrived by air yesterday and news of agricultural settlements arrived yesterday from the U.S.

Workers of the Keren Hayesod, Chabad left for camp because of the water shortage which prevents them from taking showers. The tankers which supply the camp cannot meet the demand resulting from the increase in the number of workers.

25 students from England and Ireland left for home yesterday after having spent six weeks in Israel during which they worked in settlements and attended lectures at the Hebrew University.

Stamps and mail stolen at midday on Saturday from the flat of Mr. I. Stern, 50 Rehov Nahman, Tel Aviv. ... The offices of the Student Workers Committee at 11 Shmuel Rothblat were broken into with skeleton keys on Saturday afternoon; and a radio set, writing material and petty cash were taken. ... A bridge linking the main road of Mt. Hermon to Ramat Dan on Saturday night and some charps and household effects valued at more than IL 200.

The Second Conference of the Council of the Israel Teachers Association has been postponed until August 28.

A recording of the Dalia Folk Dance Festival will be broadcast over Kol Yisrael this evening as part of the "Student" series.

The lecture "West Bank" by Prof. Yehuda Bauer, lecturer from Tel Aviv to the Haifa Quarter, will be closed for repairs from today until the completion of the work. Traffic will be diverted through Tel Eliyahu.

Mother's Appeal for Exit Permit Denied

The High Court of Justice has rejected the application by Mrs. Miriam Miller, of Mt. Carmel, Haifa, against the Ministry of Immigration Office to show cause why she should not be granted an exit permit.

In May, Mrs. Miller had applied for an exit permit without requesting foreign currency, in order to visit her two daughters who are in Switzerland for study and health reasons.

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Ration News

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It is one of the fundamental tasks of public administration that its integrity must be unassailable. The institution

CONTROL dependent con-

PUBLICITY with fac-

reaching au-

thority is a natural corollary

of this principle, and the

State of Israel itself has set

a high standard in the law

and regulations concerning

the functions and competen-

ce of the State Comptroller.

The position seems to be

less clearly defined with re-

gard to the review of the

financial transactions of the

Jewish Agency and the pro-

cedure to be adopted for the

publication of financial re-

ports, balance sheets, and

the comments of its Com-

trolling Office.

In the absence of authorized

reports for the periods from the

XII to the 23rd Congress and

even from the session of the

General Zionist Council in May,

1959, to its session in April,

1960, the financial administra-

tion of the Jewish Agency was

not open to public scrutiny,

though subject to continuous

examination at the hands of

the Comptroller's Office. Reports

on isolated cases of this adminis-

tration which the Comptroller

submitted to the Executive

found their way to a section of

the press, and did not fail to

produce the storm intended

by those who made the selection

with an eye to discrediting the

administration. Whether the

Comptroller himself is to be

blamed for these leakages will

probably be investigated by the

competent authorities. In view

of the flamboyant publicity,

however, which has been given

to some of Dr. Schmorak's cri-

cisms the Executive of the

Agency felt impelled to make

a preliminary reply, par-

ticularly of which will be found

elsewhere in this issue.

The reply covers more ground

than the newspapers traversed

for their own purposes, in treat-

ing separate instances out of

their context; and thus doing no

little harm to the reputation of

the Comptroller himself. The

preliminary statement, and the

particulars adduced in it leave

no doubt that the Agency's ra-

guaged transactions, the me-

thods and supervision were in

capable and devoted hands.

Momentous decisions had to be

taken while the country was

engaged in a life and death

struggle and at a time when

mass immigration with its un-

heard of demands on capital

and organization was only at

the beginning. Seen against this

background it is the initiative

displayed by the Agency and its

many branches here and abroad

that counts. For all that, the

accounting must be complete

and unobscured, and any minor

faults, whether major or minor,

found by the Comptroller must

be uncovered and investigated

without hesitation. But it is

equally clear that a complete

revision of the existing system

of control has become impera-

tive. The Control Office must

have its duties clearly defined

if the unseemly argument about

its rights is not to be repeated,

and its judgment not questioned

by those whose actions it is

charged to examine and re-

view as the trustee of the Con-

gress.

DOES not our life consist

of the four elephants?"

might be the question, not of

a drunken Shakespeare scholar

who had mis-

heard the word "ele-

ments," but of any mode-

rately highbrow reader of

modern literature. The fact is

that the greatest and noblest

of beasts exercises a strange

fascination on the mind. Or-

well written a book "Shoot-

ing an Elephant," although the

said elephanticide was only

one episode. The elephant, al-

though in ancient times it was

a symbol of temperance, has

had a mantle of rose cast over

it and become, in this new

pink condition, a symbol of

dipsomania. Double Elephant

and Long Elephant are not

biological curiosities, but

names of drawing paper and

paper hangings respectively. But these riotous and technical

associations of the elephant are unimportant compared with the thrilling debate about the mysterious elephants' burial-ground, to which all good psychodrama are supposed to go. Such morbid preoccupa-

tions with the disposal of big

skeletons ought, one would

think, to be reserved for ten

cent thrillers, and it is a sign

of sensationalism's growing

hold on the intelligentsia that

"The New Statesman" can de-

vote a full page to the story of

an elephant which died on

the District Commissioner's

doorstep.

Zion: Home, and Inspiration

By SHLOMO GIROSSAR

THIS Zionist Congress is in a depressed mood. Our guests from abroad, particularly from U.S.A., are pained by reproaches thrown in their faces from the Congress platform for shirking the duty of pioneering in Israel (Halutzut); for not encouraging mass immigration from America, and even for rejecting the "catastrophe" theory of the future of Jews outside Israel.

On the other hand, Zionists, including Theodor Herzl, and many "non-Zionists" often dreamed of the coming Jewish State as of a model institution. Humanly, we wanted it to have ideal and sometimes conflicting virtues singlehandedly of purpose, together with the broadmindedness of wise men of the liberal era; ruthless courage and endurance in war and peace, and also tolerance towards non-conformists; voluntary return to hard manual labour combined with the traditional Jewish striving after intellectual pre-eminence; mass immigration from countries on a low level of civilization and also the maintenance of high standards.

By all means, let us maintain that ideal as our guiding star; but our friends from abroad should not feel disappointed if our everyday life does not revolve round that star. Let them remember how other nations, and their respective Jews, behaved under stress not so strong as ours. Yes, but Israel should not be "like other nations." This is a fine ideal, but it would be untrue to make it the test of Israel's worthiness of love, devotion, and of immigration.

We certainly hope that our friends will soon live down the bitter feeling aroused by our not always fair criticism; they do not confine itself to angry refutation of the other's argument?

Test of Ideals

The "catastrophic" theory of the future of the Jews in the entire Diaspora may be essential to the Herzlian philosophy of Zionism; and the complete "Inathering of the Exiles" may thus be its somewhat distant ideal. By all means, let those who fed that way cherish those ideals. They are, however, obviously unappealing to the present reality both of Israel and of the Western Diaspora, and will remain so for as long as one can usefully look ahead.

It is thus most unwise to lay down those ideals as a compulsory test for qualifying today as a "good Zionist."

Moreover, for several decades ever since "synthetic Zionism" claimed to have overridden the conflict of views between Herzl and Ahad Ha'am, there have been in the ranks of the Zionist movement many who do not share this philosophy.

If the idea was to give a fresh impulse to American

idealism, the result may be

despair and cynicism. We

should take note that the Inathering of the Exiles, even if it were to be considered our paramount purpose for the present, is not the only human value by which we shall be judged by the outside world — even by the Jewish world. There is still alive a Jewish ideal of the

state of Israel, in which quantity counts at least as much as quality; and in addition to the political and economic perils, Israel stands in a real danger of moral, intellectual and aesthetic deterioration.

Such realization would not by itself bring about a change of heart, nor would it change our fundamental policy; though it might encourage an effort to mitigate its effects; but it would at least promote some tolerance and understanding towards those amidst us — or abroad — who hesitate to sacrifice (as we tend to do in practice, if not in theory) all values even partially conflicting with those of quantity. In a revolutionary situation such as ours it may or may not be necessary for the people to ration their minds and souls as well as their stomachs. Let us at least bear in mind that for the time being ours is a lop-sided spiritual life, bent we forget even to hanker after a normal one.

Zionist Ideas

If we insist on laying down a clear-cut official definition of Zionism valid for all times (did the Basle programme achieve that?) and then proceed to measure "the others" by that ideal, we will only achieve unnecessary heartache.

Ideals can be a source of weakness as well as of strength; when human shortcomings are emphasized too much in the light of those ideals, the result may be despair and cynical apathy. The churches always knew that. All in, in our hearts we all know what Zionism means in practice, and will mean for a long time to come: It is a movement to promote and assist the renaissance of the Jewish Nation in its old-new land, by concentrating there as many Jews as are able and willing (or compelled by circumstances) to settle there now, or will be within a measurable time.

By the same process the Zionist movement expects to build up a Jewish State of such a nature as to provide Jewish inspiration for those Jews remaining outside it, never mind whether provisionally, indefinitely or finally. He is a Zionist who openly claims his faith in the above aims and who contributes actively towards its realization, even if his contribution to Israel or to the Jewish revival in his land is limited by his other legitimate interests or by human frailty.

This is not the case. In our turn, we in Israel should not rest on angry superiority to criticism. We should take note that the Inathering of the Exiles, even if it were to be considered our paramount purpose for the present, is not the only human value by